

House Resolution No. 468

Whereas, the Missouri House of Representatives occasionally pauses in its diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge milestone attainments by Show-Me State residents who are dedicated to maintaining and improving examples of historic resources which illustrate life in the past for the benefit of current and future generations; and

Whereas, Guy Slay of Mangrove Restorations in St. Louis, Missouri, has devoted himself to restoring the Anton Huber Commercial Block at the corner of Manchester Road and Tower Grove Avenue in what is now part of the Forest Park Southeast Historic District and the city's first Main Street Program project; and

Whereas, now known as the Mangrove Building, the Anton Huber Commercial Block was built in stages during 1892, 1900, 1920, and 1924 as a saloon, doctor's office, and apartment complex which was gradually converted to retail space for a series of department stores; and

Whereas, since Guy Slay took an interest in the extensive refurbishment, reconstruction, and rebuilding that was necessary to open the architecturally-interesting structure, the surrounding area has begun to come to life again as similar projects take hold and begin to exert a positive influence on the formerly distressed and blighted neighborhood; and

Whereas, serving as a focus in the fight against disuse and degradation that can destroy an older area's atmosphere and attractions, Guy Slay will receive a prestigious 2003 Preserve Missouri Award for outstanding commitment to local historic preservation at a special awards ceremony to be held in the State Capitol Rotunda on Wednesday, February 26, 2003; and

Whereas, founded in 1976 as the Missouri Heritage Trust, Missouri Preservation is a grassroots network of individuals, organizations, and commissions from throughout the state with its headquarters centrally located in Columbia, and is the only non-profit preservation organization in the state:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the significant labors and tremendous success embodied in the work of Guy Slay and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes as he receives a well-deserved 2003 Preserve Missouri Award from Missouri Preservation; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Guy Slay of Mangrove Restorations.

Offered by _____
Representative Robert Hilgemann
District No. 64

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 468, adopted February 24, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker